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Title: Enzymatic Depolymerisation	§	
of Carboxymethylcellulose In	§	
Hydroalcoholic Solutions	§	
	§	Attorney Docket No.: LSP-1018-US

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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**AMENDMENTS**

Sir: Please make the specified amendments add the following new claims and proceed with the national examination procedures under 35 USC 3.71.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.